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Docket Control
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1200 W. Washington St.
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Re: *Affidavit of Mailing; Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc. ("SWTC") Rate Filing; Docket No. E-04100A-09-0496*

Dear Sir or Madam:

As required by the Procedural Order in this matter, enclosed is the Affidavit of Mailing of notice of this matter to the members of SWTC. Your assistance in relation to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

GALLAGHER & KENNEDY, P.A.

By:

Michael M. Grant

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15169-13/2373299

Enclosure

Original and 13 copies filed with Docket Control this 12th day of February, 2010.

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Affidavit of Mailing

I, Cheryl Trujillo, Administrative Assistant, employed by Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc., certify that on January 15, 2010, I caused to be deposited in the United States mail, postage pre-paid, the attached Notice addressed to the following:

Ms. Gloria Britton
General Manager
Anza Electric Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Box 391909
Anza, California 92539

Mr. Jack Shilling
Chief Executive Officer
Duncan Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Box 440
Duncan, Arizona 85534

Mr. Steve Lines
General Manager
Graham County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Drawer B
Pima, Arizona 85543

Mr. Robert Broz
Chief Executive Officer
Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Box 1045
Bullhead City, Arizona 86430

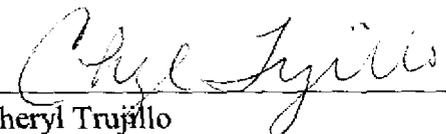
Mr. Creden Huber
Chief Executive Officer
Sulphur Springs Valley Electric
Cooperative, Inc.
311 E. Wilcox Dr.
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635-2527

Mr. Vincent Nitido
CEO/General Manager
Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Box 930
Marana, Arizona 85653

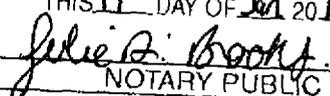
Mr. Tom Husted
General Manager
Valley Electric Association
P.O. Box 237
Pahrump, Nevada 89041

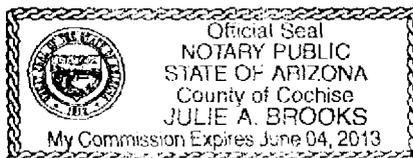
Mr. Richard H. Silverman
General Manager
Salt River Project
P.O. Box 52025
Phoenix, Arizona 85072-2025

STATE OF Arizona
COUNTY OF Cochise


Cheryl Trujillo

Notary

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME
THIS 14th DAY OF Jan 2010

NOTARY PUBLIC


Official Seal
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF ARIZONA
County of Cochise
JULIE A. BROOKS
My Commission Expires June 04, 2013

PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE
RATE APPLICATION OF
SOUTHWEST TRANSMISSION COOPERATIVE, INC.
DOCKET NO. E-04100A-09-0496

Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc. ("SWTC" or "Cooperative") is a non-profit electric transmission cooperative that provides transmission service to its members. SWTC has six (6) Class A members comprised of Anza Electric Cooperative, Inc., Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc., Duncan Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., Graham County Electric Cooperative, Inc., Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

On October 16, 2009, SWTC filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an overall rate increase of approximately \$7.65 million, or 27.6 percent. SWTC states the requested increase is designed to produce a net margin of \$2.823 million, a Times Interest Earned Ratio of 1.56 and a Debt Service Coverage Ratio of 1.35. The impact of SWTC's proposed wholesale rates on the retail consumer is difficult to estimate because SWTC's members have different retail rate levels and structures. In general, however, SWTC estimates that transmission rate costs account for approximately 10 percent of the end user's rates. Based on that assumption, SWTC estimates a bill impact of approximately \$4.60 for a retail user of 1000 kWh.

If you have any questions concerning how SWTC's rate proposal will affect your bill or have other substantive questions about this application, you may contact Geoff Oldfather at Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc., 1000 South Highway 80, Benson, Arizona 85602, (520) 586-5465 or by email at goldfather@ssw.coop.

The Commission's Utilities Division Staff has not yet made a recommendation regarding the Cooperative's rate proposal, and the Commission will determine the appropriate rate relief to be granted based on the evidence of record in this proceeding. The Commission is not bound by the proposals made by the Cooperative, Staff, or any intervenors and, therefore, the final rates approved in this docket may be lower or higher than the rates described above.

How You Can View or Obtain a Copy of the Rate Proposal

Copies of the application and proposed tariffs are available at the Cooperative's offices, 1000 South Highway 80, Benson, Arizona and at the Commission's Docket Control Center at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona and its Tucson offices, 400 West Congress, Suite 218, Tucson, Arizona and on the internet via the Commission website ([/www.azcc.gov/](http://www.azcc.gov/)) using the e-Docket function.

Public Hearing Information

The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning **September 14, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the Commission's offices, Room 222, 400 West Congress, Tucson, Arizona.

Public comments will be taken at the beginning of the first day of the hearing. In addition, written public comments may be submitted by mailing a letter referencing Docket No. E-04100A-09-0496 to Arizona Corporation Commission, Consumer Services Section, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007, or by email. For a form to use and instructions on how to e-mail comments to the Commission,

go to http://www.azcc.gov/divisions/utilities/forms/public_comment.pdf. If you require assistance, you may contact the Consumer Services Section at 1-800-222-7000 or (520) 628-6550.

About Intervention

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Any person or entity entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter will be permitted to intervene. If you wish to intervene, you must file an original and 13 copies of a written motion to intervene with the Commission no later than **May 28, 2010**, and mail a copy of the motion to SWTC or its counsel and to all parties of record. Your motion must contain the following:

1. Your name, address, and telephone number and the name, address and telephone number of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made, if not yourself.
2. A short statement of your interest in the proceeding (e.g., a member/customer of the Cooperative, etc.).
3. A statement certifying that you have mailed a copy of the motion to intervene to the Cooperative or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before May 28, 2010. If representation by counsel is required by Rule 31 of the Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court, intervention will be conditioned upon the intervenor obtaining counsel to represent the intervenor. For information about requesting intervention, visit the Commission's website at <http://www.azcc.gov/divisions/utilities/forms/interven.pdf>. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at the hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any interested person or entity from appearing at the hearing and providing public comment on the application or from filing written comments in the record of the case.

If you do not intervene in this proceeding, you will receive no further notice of the proceedings in this docket. However, all documents filed in this docket are available online (usually within 24 hours after docketing) using the Commission's e-Docket function, which is located in the lower right hand corner of the Commission's website homepage, www.azcc.gov. RSS feeds are also available using the Commission's e-Docket function.

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